

This Document contains information affecting the National Defense of the United States, within the meaning of Title 18, Sections 793 and 794, of the U.S. Code, as amended. Its transmission or revelation of its contents to or receipt by an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. The reproduction of this form is prohibited.

SECURITY INFORMATION

25X1A

REPORT NO.

DATE DISTR. 10 July 1953

NO. OF PAGES 2

REQUIREMENT NO. RD

REFERENCES

25X1
25X1X

1. As of 1 May 1953, the total effectives of the Interior Guard (Vnitřní Stráž - VS), which is subordinate to the Ministry of National Security, consisted of the following:
 - a. Two motorized-mechanized regiments of 3,000 men each.
 - b. Seven infantry regiments of 2,100 to 2,400 men each.
 - c. 15 special battalions of 700 to 1,100 men each.
 - d. The military school group of 150 instructors and 800 pupils.
 - e. The political school group of 180 instructors and 1,050 pupils.
2. The two motorized-mechanized regiments are stationed at Prague and Brno, respectively. A third such regiment will be organized during the summer of 1953 and stationed at Bratislava. The whole motorized-mechanized wing is commanded by General Zmrhal (fnu). According to plans drawn up as of 1 May 1953, this wing will be integrated, along with the motorized-mechanized units of the Border Guard (PS), the National Security Corps (SNB) and State Security (StB), into a Ministry of National Security army. This army will be specially charged with the security of the Vitkovice area.
3. The Interior Guard infantry regiments will be stationed at Pilsen, Ceske Budejovice and Usti nad Labem in Bohemia, at Olomouc, Trinec and Moravska Ostrava in Moravia and Silesia, and at Kosice in Slovakia.
4. In addition, seven new regiments of Interior Guard infantry will be organized during 1953. They will be stationed at Liberec and Hradec Kralove in Bohemia, at Hodonin and Prerov in Moravia, and at Zilina, Nitra and Presov in Slovakia.

25X1

SECRET

STATE	X	ARMY	Ev	X	NAVY		X	AIR		X	FBI		AEC						
-------	---	------	----	---	------	--	---	-----	--	---	-----	--	-----	--	--	--	--	--	--

25X1A

SECRET

25X1

- 2 -

5. The 15 battalions are stationed at various industrial centers; their number will be brought up to 24 during the year 1953. During the academic year, which begins on 1 July 1953, the number of enrollees at both the military and political schools will be doubled.
6. The commander of the VS military formations, that is, of the seven infantry regiments and 15 special battalions, is General Smoldas (fnu). The director of the military school is General Brazda (fnu), while the head of the political school is General Umlauf (fnu). At present, graduates of the two schools are going into the Border Guard (PS), but as of 1 July 1953 the Border Guard will have its own schools. On 2 May 1953, President Antonin Zapotocky decorated the two schools, the 1st Motorized-Mechanized Regiment and the 7th Special Battalion.
7. The total strength of the VS forces is 38,000, but it is to be brought up to 85,000 during the budget year 1953-54, not including the motorized-mechanized troops. In addition, there are to be from 10,000 to 18,000 auxiliaries in formations now being organized.

SECRET

25X1